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SUBJECT: INDIA UNSURE OF PARTICIPATION IN IAEA TECHNICAL
COOPERATION WITH ANYONE, LET ALONE SYRIA

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Classified By: Ambassador David Mulford for Reasons 1.4 (B and D)

1. (C) Poloff delivered reftel demarch to Ministry of External Affairs Deputy Secretary for Disarmament and International Security Mr. Vipul December 11. Vipul was aware that the IAEA Board of Governors approved Syria's nuclear power plant technical feasibility study project proposal and that IAEA Member States are not required to support its implementation. Apart from the merits of Syria's proposal, he was unaware whether India has provided such technical assistance in the past or whether it would do so if asked. Vipul said he understood our specific concerns about Syria, but he would have to consult within the Indian bureaucracy about whether India would get involved in any such project under any circumstances, let alone in the case of Syria. Post will continue to raise the issue and report any further developments.

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